

EDO, CDP Team Up on *Helpful Hints* for Launching, Growing City Business

Entrepreneurs new to the city business scene and seasoned city business owners can find *Helpful Hints*, thanks to a new brochure created in partnership between the Economic Development Office and Community Development and Planning Department.

Helpful Hints is chock-full of information on topics regarding launching and growing a business in the city.

Future and current business owners can find simple, clear guidelines on business-related topics including:

- starting a new business
- moving business locations
- expanding a business
- changing a business name
- holding special events
- changing or altering signage
- installing new signage

In addition to providing tips for navigating the regulatory process, *Helpful Hints* tell business owners when they need to take action and which city department or employee is best positioned to provide assistance.

For *Helpful Hints*, visit the city Economic Development Office Web page on the city website, e-mail Christopher.Bruno@fairfaxva.gov, or call 703-385-7851.

If you're new to the city, welcome!
Call 703-385-7800
for new resident information.

City of Fairfax Mayor and City Council, 2016-18



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Popular Clifton Car Show Rolls In to Fairfax on Labor Day

Clifton Lions Club Labor Day Car Show that brings together car enthusiasts of all ages has moved to the City of Fairfax from Clifton, Va.

The open car show will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. September 5 in the Sun-Trust Bank parking lot, 4020 University Drive, and on University Drive between Armstrong Street and Sager Avenue.

The show is open to a variety of cars: muscle cars, street rods, foreign cars, antiques,

classic and custom cars — even trucks and motorcycles. To participate, please register: www.labordaycarshow.org, 703-830-2129.

The free show includes live music, food, awards, and more. Donations are accepted; proceeds benefit Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Program and Life With Cancer.

Road closure — University Drive will close from Armstrong Street to Sager Avenue from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. September 5 for the event.

Information: www.labordaycarshow.org, 703-830-2129.



City Council Approves Zoning Rewrite

The City Council has approved the proposed subdivision and zoning ordinances in the City of Fairfax Zoning Rewrite, effective October 1. The new ordinances will be available and will be posted on zoningfairfax.com prior to the effective date. Information: 703-385-7930.

Current subdivision and zoning ordi-

nances will remain in effect through September 30.

In the meantime, city staff are updating applications and informational brochures, reviewing the fee schedule, receiving training on the new ordinances and incorporating the final amendments into the ordinances.



City NEWS AND Notes



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Welcome, College Students!



The City of Fairfax welcomes new and returning students to Northern Virginia Community College, where fall semester classes begin August 22, and George Mason University, where the fall semester begins August 29. At Mason, student move-in begins August 25.

Stay abreast of campus activities for Mason (today.gmu.edu) and NVCC (www.nvcc.edu).



Boards and Commissions on Hiatus in August

Most city boards and commission, including the City Council and School Board, are not scheduled to meet in August. Meetings resume in September.

Most City Council, School Board and Planning Commission meetings are televised on Cityscreen-12.

Televised meetings and their agendas may be viewed on the city's website: click on "City Meetings" on the home page.

Virginia Sales Tax Holiday Set for August 5-7

The Commonwealth of Virginia has combined three tax holidays — for school supplies, emergency preparedness supplies, and energy- and water-saving products — to a single tax holiday on August 5-7.

Consumers may, without paying sales tax, purchase qualifying school supplies, clothing, footwear, hurricane and emergency preparedness items, and Energy Star™ and WaterSense™ products. Purchases in person, online, by mail or telephone. Information: www.tax.virginia.gov, (804) 367-8031.

Companion Animals Available for Adoption

Looking for a furry or feathered friend? Turn to the city's *Animal Control Office*, which has animals available for adoption, including hamsters, birds, dogs, cats, bunnies, mice, and more — all ages, all breeds.

Find information on the city website (under "How Do I...") and the city mobile app ("Animal Adoption" button).

The city holds regular open house adoption events — or visit Town and Country Animal Hospital during business hours to see who's looking for their forever home. *Information:* 703-385-7919.



Cooling Assistance and Fan Care Programs Offered

City residents who need help to keep their homes cool this summer and prevent a health emergency may request assistance from programs administered by Fairfax County Department of Family Services.

The Cooling Assistance Program helps eligible low-income households with at least one person considered especially vulnerable to heat: a child younger than age six, a person with a disability, or an adult age 60 or older. Applications are accepted through August 15. Information: 703-787-3100, TTY: 711.

The Fan Care Program provides a limited number of free electric fans and/or window air conditioners to eligible Fairfax senior adults age 60 years or older. Applications are accepted through September 30. Information: 703-324-7694, TTY: 703-449-1186.

City of Fairfax Among the Safest Cities in Virginia

The City of Fairfax was rated #17 of the top 20 safest cities in Virginia by SafeWise, a security services aggregator.

To identify the safest cities in Virginia, SafeWise



reviewed the most recent FBI Crime Report statistics from 2014, along with population data, then eliminated cities with fewer than 3,000 residents and those that did not submit a complete crime report to the FBI.

SafeWise evaluated the number of reported violent crimes and property crimes in each city. Finally, SafeWise calculated the likelihood of these crimes occurring out of 1,000 people in each city.

Mosquito, Zika, West Nile Virus Information Available

"Fight the bite" this summer by implementing a household mosquito control program. Tip and toss standing water or treat it with safe larvicide "dunks" available at area hardware stores. Wear long, loose, light-colored clothing when outdoors. Know the symptoms for West Nile virus and Zika virus and seek medical attention if needed.

Information: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/zika-virus.htm, 703-246-2411.



Farmers Markets Continue

Farmers markets are held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through October at the corner of West and Main streets. Markets are sponsored by the Downtown Fairfax Coalition. Information: 703-430-6164, www.fairfaxsatdaymarket.com.



Be Ready '16: Election Information

Don't wait: tend to your voter information today!

Is your voter registration up to date? Will you need to absentee vote? Visit www.vote.virginia.gov — and follow #BeReady16 on social media.

General Election is November 8, and polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. that day.

Secondary School Students Eligible for Free Bus Pass

Middle school and high school students who live in and attend school in the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County may travel for free on CUE Bus and Fairfax Connector with a special pass available through their schools.

This program, newly expanded this year to include CUE Bus, provides free rides on all CUE Bus and Fairfax Connector routes from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. The pass is valid for one year. Students show the pass to the driver when boarding the buses.

At all other times, students must use cash or a SmarTrip card. (Please note: CUE Bus offers reduced fares of 85¢ for primary and secondary students with a valid CUE Bus ID.)

All secondary students — in public school, private school and those who are home-schooled — are eligible to obtain a pass with

parental permission. Students may obtain the application from their school administration. Parents of home-school students should contact Thomas Italiano (titaliano@fcps.edu, 703-446-2000).

CUE Bus (www.CUEBus.org, 703-385-7859) provides service throughout the city, to George Mason University and to the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU Metrorail Station.

Fairfax Connector (703-339-7200, www.fairfaxconnector.com) provides service throughout Fairfax County, to George Mason University and the southern area of the city, and to the Dulles International Airport.

Fairfax Connector and CUE buses are fully accessible and equipped with bike racks. Obtain real-time bus arrival information with the NextBus app or online at NextBus.com.



Northfax Construction Begins in Late Summer

After 20 years of planning, discussion and public hearings, the City of Fairfax will begin construction later this summer on road improvements on the Northfax project.

The Northfax project is intended to aid pedestrian and driver safety and mobility, and improve local drainage systems in the vicinity of Route 123/Chain Bridge Road and Fairfax Boulevard (Route 29/50).

Information: www.Northfax.com, 703-385-7810.

Construction is scheduled to begin late summer, and will continue through summer 2018. Project details include:

- improving pedestrian accommodations at all legs of the intersection

- widening Chain Bridge Road to six lanes north of Fairfax Boulevard
- improving lane alignments at Fairfax Boulevard and Chain Bridge Road
- making extensive culvert improvements to eliminate roadway flooding in the vicinity of Chain Bridge Road and Fairfax Boulevard

Total project cost is \$43.5 million, funded with federal, state, regional, and local funds.

Receive traffic alerts regarding city road construction closures (scheduled and unscheduled): sign up for Fairfax City Alert. Notices are sent via e-mail, text and Everbridge app. Sign up today, or update your subscription, at www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert.



Prune Trees, Bushes from Sidewalks, Roads

Property owners with trees and shrubs are asked to prune vegetation away from sidewalks and streets. Plants should not block sidewalks nor obstruct the view of traffic or signs for drivers and pedestrians from walkways or roads.

The city also encourages residents to mow and trim the "tree strips" found in front of most houses.

Those with curbside collection may place yard waste at the curb on designated collection day, and contractors must dispose of their yard debris.

Shredding Events Scheduled

City residents may participate in Fairfax County's free document shredding events. Bring up to five medium-sized boxes for shredding from 8 a.m. to noon to:

- August 20: Spring Hill Elementary School, 8201 Lewinsville Road, McLean
- September 24: North County Human Services Center, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston
- October 15: South County Governmental Center, 8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria
- October 22: Springfield Governmental Center, 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield
Information: 703-324-5230.

Solid Waste Services Guide, Recycling Bins Available

What belongs in which bin at the curb? Find out in the *Solid Waste Services Guide*. Download it from the city website or request a copy.

Residents may request new or additional blue recycling bins for curbside recycling service. Information: 703-385-7837, RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7837

City Helps Launch 'Diversion First'

Some people who experience mental health crises may become involved in the criminal justice system rather than receive much-needed immediate medical assistance — and Fairfax is trying to change that.

The city has joined *Diversion First*, a program that diverts low-risk offenders experiencing mental health crises to psychiatric treatment, rather than jail.

Diversion First is a joint program between the city, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board, Sheriff's Department, and Fairfax County Police Department. Information: 703-385-7894.

In appropriate cases, officers and deputies transfer custody of some low-level offenders suspected of having mental illness or developmental disabilities to a Crisis Intervention-trained (CIT) officer at the Merrifield Crisis Response Center (MCRC), rather than jail.

This year, 168 individuals in custody with potential criminal charges have been diverted — nearly 25 percent of those taken into custody.

Residents may request CIT-trained officers for public safety assistance in situations when mental illness may be a factor.

Registered Voters: Earn \$150 on Election Day

Registered voters can earn \$150 in one day serving their community.

The City of Fairfax Office of Elections needs more than 100 officers of election to conduct the upcoming 2016 Presidential Election. The goal is for voters to spend no more than 30 minutes in line once the polls open at 6 a.m., and to accomplish this, the Office of Elections needs your help.

Those who are comfortable with technology and enjoy providing outstanding customer service are invited to join the Office of Elections in helping friends and neighbors cast their ballot on Election Day.

Duties include greeting and checking in voters, issuing ballots and monitoring voting equipment. Apply online: www.fairfaxva.gov/eoapp. Information: 703-385-7890.



Family, City Leaders Past and Present, Dedicate Snyder Trail

City leaders joined the family of the late George T. Snyder (City of Fairfax Mayor 1984-90) on July 9 for the dedication of the George T. Snyder Trail.

The finished portion of the trail extends west from Stafford Park, across Plantation Parkway and behind the Fairfax Boulevard Marketplace. The \$140,000 cost of the trail

was funded with Fairfax Boulevard Marketplace development proffers.

When completed, the trail will continue along the south side of Accotink Creek, heading west to Route 123/Chain Bridge Road. This portion of the trail will be designed and built in the future. *Information:* 703-385-7858.

City Council Receives Green Acres Study; Will Discuss Next Steps in September

The Green Acres Feasibility Study Committee has submitted its report with recommendations to the City Council, which will discuss the city's next steps in September.

Among the committee's recommendations was moving community center services, the largest usage, to a different location, keeping in mind central location, parking and public transportation accessibility.

Based on public input and studies of community facilities in other jurisdictions, the study findings support a new facility to include a senior center, full-size gymnasium and fitness facility. The committee recom-

mends the city retain the open space and athletic fields at the Green Acres site, or provide the same resources at a new facility.

Green Acres was used as an elementary school from 1961 to 2001. In 2002, the center began serving as space for recreation services, senior center, community room use, playground and athletic fields. The city leases a portion of the facility to Main Street Child Development Center, a non-profit organization, for child care services.

The *Green Acres Feasibility Study* is available on the city website. *Information:* 703-385-7858.

Share Your Talents: Volunteer for a City or Regional Board, Commission

Volunteer on behalf of your community: join one of the city's boards and commissions. Information: 703-385-7935.

For most city boards and commissions, City Council interviews applicants and appoints individuals. (There are exceptions.) Applicants must be registered voters. If residency is required, applicants must have lived in the city for at least one year. The city

encourages diversity in its candidates.

A list of city and regional boards and commissions is available on the city website and from the City Clerk's Office. When vacancies arise, please apply through the City Clerk's Office.

Vacancies are listed on Cityscreen-12, on the city website, via Fairfax City Alerts and in *The Cityscene* (see page 6).

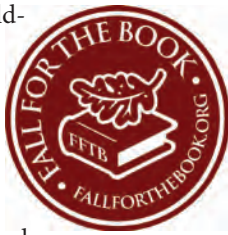
Special Events Abound in City

The city has special events scheduled through the end of the year. [Information:](#) 703-385-7858.

Fall for the Book — Meet world-renown, prize-winning authors, attend readings and book discussions and celebrate the reading and writing of fiction, non-fiction, poetry and more at Fall for the Book September 25-30.

The annual festival is held in and around the city, George Mason University and the metropolitan DC area. Look for the complete schedule at www.fallforthebook.org. Information: 703-993-3986.

Fall Festival — The streets of Old Town



Fairfax will fill with crafters, food, music, a beer garden, children's activity area and much more from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. October 8.

Holiday Craft Show — Holiday shopping kicks into high gear November 19-20 at Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run. Hundreds of crafters will join food vendors (and even Santa himself!) to line the halls of Fairfax High School.

Festival of Lights and Carols — Greet the winter holidays with song and lights at the Festival of Lights and Carols December 3 in Old Town Fairfax, which includes lunch with Santa, music, treats and the lighting of the Christmas tree.

Records, Immunization Needed for School Enrollment

In Virginia, children age 5 or older on or before September 30 may be enrolled in kindergarten for that school year. Parents who do not want their children to attend kindergarten must notify the school in writing. Children age 6 on or before September 30 must attend school. Information: 703-385-7911.

The city contracts with Fairfax County Public Schools for education services. To find out which school a child should attend: 571-423-2330, www.fcps.edu/boundary.

Qualifying parents may elect to provide

home instruction for their school-age children; 571-423-4460.

To enroll a new student, provide required documents, including the child's birth certificate, a certificate of physical examination, Social Security number, evidence of immunization and proof of residency. Transfer students also need school records or transcripts from their previous school: 571-423-4440.

Free immunizations are offered at the Joseph Willard Health Center, 3750 Old Lee Highway. To shorten waiting time, consider scheduling an appointment: 703-246-7100.

Noise Laws — What You Need to Know

In any neighborhood, residents can expect a certain amount of ambient noise. However, there are some noise situations from which citizens may seek relief.

City Code Section 38-11 states that radios, televisions, sound amplifiers and other devices must be kept at a lower volume between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. every day. However, depending on the source of the noise, a violation may occur any time there is continued, loud, unnecessary or unusual disturbing noise that can be plainly heard on the public streets, heard outside the facility or 50 feet or more from the source.

Anyone who suspects a noise that indicates domestic violence or animal abuse should call the police immediately.

When using generators, keep them outside for safety purposes. Before installing a generator, obtain the proper city permits and make sure the generator is of the proper size

for its intended use. Be mindful of neighbors and the noise created by generators, especially at night. Generators are not exempt from city noise laws.

Construction may take place only from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays. Work that generates noise is prohibited at all other times unless related to a legitimate emergency or unless a permit is issued to allow for night work. Interior construction that does not create noise audible at the property line is permitted at any time.

Citizens may call the city police department at 703-385-7924 to report suspected noise violations. Please give the police department as much information as possible, including the location and type of noise. Complaints can be kept confidential. However, neighbors who can safely settle noise problems among themselves are encouraged to do so.

Cityscreen



SCHEDULE

Programming subject to change.
See Cityscreen-12 to confirm the programming schedule. 703-385-7803.

Watch Independence Day Parade, Past and Present

Everyone loves a parade — and fans of the city's annual Independence Day Parade can watch every televised parade from 1985 to the present — and an evening show or two — thanks to Cityscreen-12, the city's television station. Visit the city YouTube Channel (www.youtube.com/CityofFairfaxVA) and take a video walk down Memory Lane.

Swearing-In, Remarks

Watch the Swearing-In Ceremony of the Mayor, City Council and School Board, including remarks of Mayor Silverthorne and School Board Chair Toby Sorenson, on the city website under "City Meetings" (Special Programs) and on the city YouTube Channel.

'The Fairfax Scene' Captures City News and Events

Catch up on city news and events with *The Fairfax Scene*. The monthly magazine program plays at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. daily. Watch them on Cityscreen-12, the city's website, and the city's YouTube channel.

Meetings, Programs Available for Loan and Purchase

Cityscreen-12 programs are available for loan on Blu-ray and DVD. Information: WeCare@fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7850.

Copies of some programs are available for purchase on DVD for \$15 and on Blu-ray for \$20. Excerpts from city programs and meetings can be made upon request; cost is \$30 for DVD and \$35 for Blu-ray.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7803



City Council Reporter

June 14, 2016

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of the revised City of Fairfax and Fairfax City School Board Agreement for Use of City Schools; Consideration of an award of contract to Hammel, Green, & Abrahamson, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for the design and bidding services for the Police Firearms Training Center; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 14, as it pertains to home child care facility standards. (*Councilmember Schmidt was absent.*)

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, appropriation resolutions for the general, capital, wastewater, transit, stormwater, cable, Old Town, and transportation tax funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. (*Councilmember Schmidt was absent.*)
- Approved, unanimously, an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$321,682 for fiscal year 2015-16 federal, state and other grant expenditures. (*Councilmember Schmidt was absent.*)
- Approved, unanimously, an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$936,948 for fiscal year 2015-16 non-discretionary expenditures. (*Councilmember Schmidt was absent.*)

Public hearings previously deferred

The following four public hearings related to the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite originally scheduled for hearing on June 14 were, on May 24, deferred to July 12:

- Public hearing on a zoning map amend-

ment of multiple properties in an existing development from the R-T6 Townhouse District to the RT Residential Townhouse District, with a density of up to twelve dwelling units per acre, on the land known as 9600-9630 Ridge Avenue, designated Low-Medium Density Residential with a density of 4.01 to 7.99 dwelling units per acre in the Comprehensive Plan, along with open space parcels, designated Open Space - Conservation in the Comprehensive Plan, otherwise known as tax map parcels 48-3-08-06-002 through 015 and 48-3-08-06-000 A and B.

- Public hearing on a zoning text amendment to amend the Code of the City of Fairfax, Chapter 110 (Zoning) to repeal the current chapter in its entirety and readopt the chapter with significant revisions to all articles and sections contained therein, including, but not limited to: zoning districts and regulations, site development standards, development review procedures, nonconformities, enforcement and penalties, and definitions.
- Public hearing on an ordinance amending City Code, Chapter 86 (Subdivisions) to repeal the current chapter in its entirety and readopt the chapter with significant revisions to all articles and sections contained therein, including, but not limited to: administrative procedures, design and improvements, enforcement and penalties, and definitions.
- Public hearing on an ordinance amend-

ing City Code, Chapter 7 (Domestic Beekeeping) and Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38-31 (Environment) pertaining to the keeping of honey bees.

June 28, 2016

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a resolution that (a) approves the lease/purchase of vehicles and equipment with US Bancorp Government Leasing and Financing, Inc., and (b) approves the amendment of the existing master lease with the financing lessor for this borrowing; Consideration of a request from a non-resident of the city to purchase a cemetery plot. (*Councilmember Loftus was absent.*)

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, the request of Tots n Us Children's Academy for a special use permit to allow a child care center on the property located at 3711 Jermantown Road, subject to conditions. (*Councilmember Loftus was absent.*)
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 14, Article III as it pertains to home child care facility standards. (*Councilmember Loftus was absent.*)

Actions out of closed meeting/appointments to boards and commissions

- Reappointed Mary Valenta and Michael O'Brien to the Economic Development Authority.
- Appointed Sarah Ross to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Fairfax Facts: Did You Know?

Love Field in Dallas was named for First Lieutenant Moss Lee Love, U.S. Army, born in Fairfax in 1879 and buried in the Fairfax City Cemetery.

Visit the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, for more Fairfax Facts!

Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy for city resident or architectural historian; one vacancy for city business representative)
- Commission for Women (one vacancy)

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission.

Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Crowder. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. **Information:** 703-385-7935.



Community Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. Information: today.gmu.edu, 703-993-1000</p>	1 Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Square	2 Yoga on the Square, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Storytime in the Park, 10:30 am, Old Town Square National Night Out 	3 Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square	4 It's Thursday, 6:30 pm, Old Town Square	5 Sales Tax Holiday: supplies for school, emergency preparedness, and energy- and water-saving products Yoga on the Square, 8 am, Old Town Square Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3	6 Sales Tax Holiday: supplies for school, emergency preparedness, and energy- and water-saving products Farmers' Market  Double Bubble Run, 10 am, 1 pm, Van Dyck Park Old Town Fairfax walking tour, 10 am, Fairfax Courthouse
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14  Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Yoga on the Square, 10 am, Old Town Square Second Sunday Series — topic to be announced, 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center	15 Cooling Assistance Program applications due Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall	16 Yoga on the Square, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Storytime in the Park, 10:30 am, Old Town Square	17 Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Pop-Up Adventure Playground, 10 am, Pat Rodio Park	18 It's Thursday, 6:30 pm, Old Town Square	19 Yoga on the Square, 8 am, Old Town Square Sherwood Cinema Series: Zootopia, 7 pm, Sherwood Center (non-perishable food donations accepted 7-9 pm) Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3	20  Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Document Shredding Event, 8 am to noon, Spring Hill Elementary School Kidz Korner, 10:30 am, Old Town Square Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours
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28  Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Yoga on the Square, 10 am, Old Town Square Sunday Afternoon in the Park, 2 pm, Veterans Amphitheater	29  Fall semester begins at George Mason University; Welcome2Mason begins	30 Yoga on the Square, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Storytime in the Park, 10:30 am, Old Town Square	31 Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Lunchtime Live, noon, Old Town Square	<div> HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS City Government Information 703-385-7855 City News and Events 703-273-1776 Arts and Cultural Events 703-352-ARTS City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227 Civil War Interpretive Center 703-591-0560 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414 George Mason University Events 703-993-1000 Calendar information is subject to last-minute change. </div>		



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City Happenings

Double Bubble Run Held August 6 in Van Dyck Park

Take part in the Double Bubble Run on August 6 at Van Dyck Park, 3720 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-385-7858.

Participants of all ages make their way through a 1K fun run course filled with bubbles, color stations, foam obstacles, and more bubbles. Enjoy unlimited time in the bubbles during a three-hour session (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1-4 p.m.) Cost is \$20 per person, and registration is required.

'Strong' Exhibit at Museum Through August 27

Learn about *Strong Men and Women in Virginia History*, in a new temporary exhibit at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street.

The exhibit, at the museum through August 27, features African American civil rights activists, writers, and sports figures. The traveling exhibition was produced by the Library of Virginia and Dominion. *Information:* 703-385-8414.

History Tour August 6; Lectures August 14, 27

Take a 90-minute guided tour of Old Town Fairfax. Tours step off at 10 a.m. August 6 from Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road. Cost is \$10 per person age 13 and older, \$5 for youth age 6-12 or \$25 per family (of three or more). *Information:* 703-385-8414.

Find out about local history at 2 p.m. August 14 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center. (Topic to be announced.) *Information:* 703-385-8414.

Learn about *PTSD and the Civil War* at 2 p.m. August 27 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. *Information:* 703-591-0560.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues August 19

Watch *Zootopia* for free August 19 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Lights go down at 7 p.m. and participants may bring their own snacks. From 7-9 p.m., *Britepaths*

accepts donations of non-perishable food items. *Information:* 703-385-7858.

Take in Outdoor Summer Concerts

Enjoy music at numerous city venues; just bring your own seating. Events may be cancelled in case of inclement weather. *Information:* 703-352-ARTS.

Sunday Afternoon in the Park offers concerts at 4 p.m. Sundays through September in Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive (except for the August 28 event held at 2 p.m. at the Veterans Amphitheater).

It's Thursday features local musicians from 6:30-8:30 p.m. through August 18 in Old Town Square.

Old Town Plaza Music Series is held at 7 p.m. Fridays (except fourth Fridays) through September in Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road.

Rock the Block hits Fairfax from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on fourth Fridays in Old Town Square through October, with free music, and food and drink for sale. On August 26, enjoy *The Rockets*.